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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3681**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yoshio ITOU

Group Art Unit: 3681

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For: VEHICLE CONTROL APPARATUS AND VEHICLE CONTROL METHOD

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the December 19, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.